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For : METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR LOADING
RADIOACTIVE SEEDS INTO BRACHYTHERAPY
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement in the above-identified application. This Statement is submitted:

- within three months of the application filing date;
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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, submission of this Statement requires no fee. However, if for any reason a fee is due, the Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees required in connection with this Information Disclosure Statement to Deposit Account

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Respectfully submitted,



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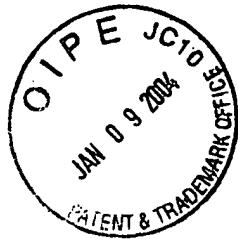
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98,
applicants hereby make the following documents of record in
the above identified application:*

U.S. Patents

6,358,195	03/2002	Green et al.
6,213,932	04/2001	Schmidt
6,083,166	07/2000	Holdaway et al.
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4,815,449	03/1989	Horowitz
4,700,692	10/1987	Baumgartner
4,167,179	09/1979	Kirsch
4,086,914	05/1978	Moore

* Applicants reserve the right to challenge the status
of any of the cited documents as prior art.

Foreign Patents

WO 99/20337 04/1999

WIPO

Pursuant to the PTO's waiver of the requirement under 37 CFR 1.98 (a)(2)(i), 1276 OG 55, applicants have not submitted copies of each cited U.S. patent and each U.S. patent application publication. Copies of the aforementioned foreign patent publications and other documents, which are listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, are enclosed herewith.

It is respectfully requested that these documents be (1) fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application; and (2) printed on any patent that may issue on this application. Applicants request that a copy of Form PTO-1449, as considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next communication.

An early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

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